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Applicant: Mark A. Buchalter	)	
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Title: BAG RETENTION APPARATUS AND METHOD	)	

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Dear Sir:

The attached Reply is being sent at the Examiner's request. In a telephone conversation with the undersigned on March 1, 2007, Examiner Castellano informed Robert W. Diehl that the paper filed on February 6, 2007, was illegible, likely due to a transmission or scanning problem. The attached paper is a true copy of the paper filed on February 6, 2007. In the interest of time, this transmittal letter and the attached Reply copy are being mailed to Examiner Castellano at [steve.castellano@uspto.gov](mailto:steve.castellano@uspto.gov).

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY FILED  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.112**

Dear Sir:


In response to the Office Action of November 20, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** includes amendments to Claim 1 and the cancellation of Claim 2, as set forth in the Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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